

Conduction

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Conduction-heat transfer between or through a solid medium
Fouriers law of conduction for one dimension

$$q_{cd} = kA \frac{dt}{dx}$$

Where:

q_{cd} =heat transfer (conduction)

k =thermal conductivity (different value for different substances)

dt = change in temperature surface to surface ($t_{\text{final}} - t_{\text{initial}}$) ΔT

dx = wall thickness Δd

Equation can be rewritten to establish heat transfer/area

$$\frac{q}{A} = k \frac{dt}{dx}$$

What is the heat loss per area if a 10cm thick piece of wood wall experiences a temperature decrease of 15°C from the inside of a building to the outside of a building. $k_{\text{wood}} = 0.17$ (watts/ $(\text{m}^{\circ}\text{C})$)

$$\frac{q}{A} = 0.17 \frac{\text{watts}}{\text{m}^{\circ}\text{C}} \frac{15^{\circ}\text{C}}{10\text{cm}} \frac{100\text{cm}}{\text{m}} = \frac{25.5\text{watts}}{\text{m}^2}$$

The watt is a derived unit of power.

The unit is defined as one joule per second and measures the rate of energy conversion or transfer.

